



COVID-19

GUIDANCE NOTE

26 February 2021

The ACT is operating under a set of COVID-normal restrictions.

Key changes from 6th March:

- 1) Places of worship must register through the **Check in CBR** app and all attendees 16 and over **must** sign in using this app. For those 16 and under, parents or caregivers are encouraged to check them in.
- 2) If people are unable to sign themselves in, the business can do this for them via the business profile function of the Check in CBR app.
- 3) Businesses (including places of worship, weddings and funerals) who have not registered by 6th March will be in breach of the public health direction
- 4) Covid plan is not required for groups of 25 or less but they are still required to register and record attendees

Other restrictions and recommendations

- Masks are not required but are still encouraged for the vulnerable and where 1.5 metre distancing is difficult.
- Maintain 1.5 metre distancing where possible.
- Practise good hand and respiratory hygiene.
- Maximum numbers limited by 2 square metre rule.
- Covid safe cleaning regime to be maintained.

Singing

Singing carries a high risk of transmission of COVID, due to increased droplet spread. While singing is currently permitted in the ACT, venues and event organisers should take steps to minimise the risks associated with this activity.

- Choirs and performers should maintain a minimum of two metres from each other and from the audience/ congregation.
- Congregational singing is discouraged. However, if congregations wish to allow singing they need to include this in their COVID Safety Plan and ensure that members maintain a minimum of 1.5 metres from each other whilst singing.
- Additional cleaning should be undertaken of areas or equipment in range of singers/performers.

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Useful links are:

The CBR check in app

<https://www.covid19.act.gov.au/business-and-work/check-in-cbr>

High risk activities

<https://www.covid19.act.gov.au/stay-safe-and-healthy/protect-yourself#High-risk-activities>

The ACT Govt gives a direct link to the NSW page about masks:

<https://www.nsw.gov.au/covid-19/face-masks>

Thank you for your continued efforts in prioritising health and well-being.

Rev. Bronwyn Murphy
Associate Secretary

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